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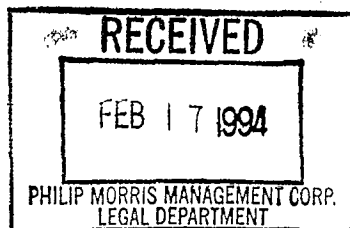
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Our ref: PAS/CS/34936  
Your ref: PM 1522 II

Dear Charles,

**Turkish Patent Application No. 93/1188**  
**Philip Morris Products Inc. - Our file: 34936**

The Turkish Patent Office have called for the filing of the Search Request on this application and I have asked our Turkish Associates to proceed.

A recent change in practice is that the search can be carried out by the Austrian Patent Office instead of the European Patent Office. Since this is likely to be significantly cheaper I have asked our Associates to have the search done in the Austrian Patent Office.

We shall of course have the European application searched by the European Patent Office and as a result of that they would be likely to refund part of the search fee paid on the Turkish application. Nevertheless I think the Austrian Patent Office remains competitive and we may as well have the benefit of a different search.

Yours sincerely,

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